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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL
(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 42390P10501
(maximum 12 characters)First Named Inventor Collier et al.Title: A Tentative-Hold-Based Protocol for Distributed Transaction ProcessingExpress Mail Label No. EL750127856USADDRESS TO: **Assistant Commissioner for Patents**
Box Patent Application
Washington, D. C. 20231**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. **Fee Transmittal Form** (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. **Applicant Claims Small Entity Status.** (37 CFR 1.27)
3. **Specification** (Total Pages 34)
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive Title of the Invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. **Drawings** (35 USC 113) (Total Sheets 9)
5. **Oath or Declaration** (Total Pages 6)
 - a. Newly Executed (Original or Copy)
 - b. Copy from a Prior Application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for Continuation/Divisional with Box 17 completed)
 - i. **DELETIONS OF INVENTOR(S)** Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
 - c. Unsigned.
6. **Application Data Sheet.** (37 CFR 1.76)
7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies), or
 - ii. paper
 - c. Statement verifying identity of above copies

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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. **Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents(s))**
10. a. Separate 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (where there is an assignee)
 b. Power of Attorney
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. a. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
 b. Copies of IDS Citations
13. **Preliminary Amendment**
14. **Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)**
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. **Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.**
17. Other: _____

18A. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

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Of Prior Application No.: _____ Examiner _____ Group Art Unit _____

(which is a continuation/ divisional/ CIP of prior application no. _____,
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For CONTINUATION AND DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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The undersigned states that _____ (name of assignee) is
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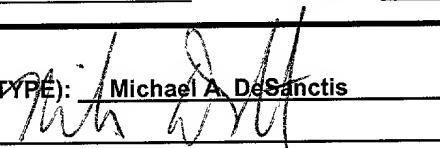
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<u>Large Entity</u>		<u>Small Entity</u>		<u>Fee Description</u>	<u>Fee Paid</u>
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	_____
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	_____
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	_____
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	_____
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	_____
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	_____
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	_____
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	_____
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	_____
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	_____
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	_____
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	_____
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	_____
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	_____
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	_____
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable	_____
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	_____
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	_____
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	_____
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	_____
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	_____
123	130	123	130	Petitions related to provisional applications	_____
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	_____
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	_____
146	710	246	355	For filing a submission after final rejection (see 37 CFR 1.129(a))	_____
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (see 37 CFR 1.129(b))	_____
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	_____
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	_____

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